

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-16 are allowed.

Specification Amendment

The specification has been amended on page 2 in order to introduce a discussion of the brief description of the drawings into the case, as requested by the Examiner. Page 13 of the text has been amended in order to correct an obvious spelling error. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

It is believed that the application is in proper condition for issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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